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To Whom It May Concern:

The Mississippi River Committee of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress met on Friday, July 8, 2005 in La Crosse, Wisconsin and discussed the Upper Mississippi River Conservation Plan.

The Mississippi River Committee of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress took a position in opposition to Alternative D due to a variety of factors. Some of those factors were the lack of public support, certain plan recommendations in the plan are a direct challenge to state natural resource management authority found in SS 1.035 WI Statutes and unnecessary restrictions on public access and use of the river.

There was a consensus of the members that the time for comment on the CCP should be extended six months and the revised CCP should be brought back for public comment prior to implementation.

Thank you for your efforts and consideration.

Sincerely,

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